

Major Martin's resignation from the committee, and regretted that he would not be a candidate, but did not think it possible for any one to say that it would have been the pleasure of the committee to have nominated him. In fact, he doubted if the former chairman would have received the nomination had he been a candidate. Notwithstanding the objection, the resolution was adopted by a large majority.

Nominations for the State Senate being called for, Mr. Hodges presented the name of Samuel L. Kelley, a former member of the House of Delegates. Since that election Mr. Kelley said, he had had fifty people tell him that they voted against Mr. Cannon under a misapprehension, mistaking him for a certain minister of the same name who had been prominent in legislative matters in recent years.

Haddon and Hobson Mentioned.

W. H. Jennings nominated Gray Haddon, a member of the City Council from Clay Ward, but later withdrew him. Mr. Blanks thought the nomination should go to Graham B. Hobson, who led the charge in the House of Delegates, but also the weakly resolution, but it was protested that that would complicate matters, as another election would then have to be called to fill a House vacancy. Chairman Price left the chair to second Mr. Haddon's nomination. Mr. Cannon, who had made careful inquiry of the business element of the legal fraternity, and in various other directions, and was convinced that Haddon was a more acceptable candidate, though he admitted that he was perhaps more intimately acquainted with the other men mentioned. Several members spoke briefly, urging consideration, that the committee was on trial, and that any misstep would not only mean a fight against independent candidates in the special election, but also the weakening of the party in Richmond. When nominations closed only Messrs. Cannon and Kelley were before the House, and there was a tense moment as the roll was called.

The Final Vote.

It resulted as follows:

For Mr. Cannon: Messrs. Blanks, Browning, Barnett, Carrington, Evans, Jennings, Jones, Ladd, Mosby, Pettus, Finck, Sibley, Steiner, Taylor, Duke, Price—16.

For Mr. Kelley: Messrs. Connell, Ferrandini, Florence, Fowler, Fagan, Hart, Hodges, Lemahan, Massey, Meredith, O'Neal, Purcell, Redford, Rogers, Saunders—16.

The nomination was thereupon made unanimous and the committee adjourned, after enthusiastic expressions from all sides that it had done the wise thing for the best interests of the party. More than one speaker took occasion to point out that Mr. Cannon, who ran seventh for the House of Delegates, received at that time more than 5,000 votes, against which any independent candidate would stand a small show. It was further pointed out that in the campaign for the House, Mr. Cannon published in some detail his platform on the issues now before the State, and that the platform coincides in all essential details with those of the Richmond nominees for the House and of the former nominee for the Senate.

CREW IS RESCUED

Steamer *Templemore* Catches Fire After Sailing from Baltimore.

Baltimore, September 30.—The British freight steamer *Templemore*, Captain Jones, Baltimore, for Liverpool September 27, was on fire late last



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night, latitude 39.27 north, longitude 65.26 west. She sent out a call for immediate assistance, and at 3:50 A. M. to-day the steamer *Aradia*, from Hamburg, picked up her crew, and is proceeding to Baltimore. This information was contained in a wireless dispatch received here to-day from Captain Rodd, of the *Aradia*.

No details of the disaster were given. The *Aradia* is expected to pass in Cape Henry, Va., to-morrow morning.

The *Templemore*, belonging to the Johnston Line, carried a crew of about fifty-two officers and men, and took on a cargo of merchandise at this port valued at \$200,000. She was built in Belfast and launched in February, 1894. She was 451 feet in length, forty-eight feet beam and twenty-six feet deep.

TO TREAT ORCHID

Letters Will Endeavor to Bring Bloom to Rare Exotic.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

Washington, September 30.—When the *Niagara*, the yacht in which Mr. and Mrs. Letter will make a tour of the world, steams out of Washington to-morrow it will carry a rare orchid, which was christened by the late Mrs. Levi Z. Letter, but which has refused to blossom since her death last winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Letter are to take the exotic back to the Orient to have it

doctored.